

Sacred Heart Seminary

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Historic Overview:

Sacred Heart Seminary, established in 1919, is significant as the first seminary in Michigan designed to train candidates of all ethnic backgrounds for diocesan priesthood. The seminary received candidates from throughout the state offering students a complete educational program including both high school and college curricula. The monumental seminary structure was built between 1923 and 1925. The building was designed in the Collegiate Gothic style by the Detroit architectural firm of Donaldson and Meier. The building is red brick and in a light stone. The building is 3 ½-stories in height surrounding a central courtyard with a central tower 130 feet tall. The alter piece was carved by Alois Lang, a wood carver known for his work featuring religious scenes.¹

¹ Information obtained from Michigan Historic Sites Online.